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In re Application of: Duffner et al

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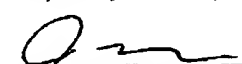
Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application. The fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) for filing an RCE is \$790.00.

1. Applicants enclose an Amendment.
2. Applicants request that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 2, 2004 be extended for a period of three months from September 2, 2004 to December 2, 2004. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$980.00.
3. No additional claims fee is required.
4. Please charge the fee for filing an RCE and extension, estimated to be \$1770.00, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 2, 2004


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